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**From:** Russo, Rebecca  
**Sent:** Fri 8/14/2015 8:58:49 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Sediment Sample Data

You'll have to check in with JIC to see if we're sending that out to media.

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**From:** McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa  
**Sent:** Friday, August 14, 2015 2:57 PM  
**To:** Russo, Rebecca  
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Who sent you that? I didn't get it! Are we supposed to send out?

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Region 8 locals have been notified.

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Hi all,

I wanted to let you know that the EPA sediment samples collected in the Animas River from Bakers Bridge to north of Durango have been validated.

EPA has done a review of the data which included a comparison to background to determine if the metal concentrations are consistent with pre-incident levels. Metal

results that exceeded pre-incident levels were subsequently compared to risk-based screening levels. These results indicate that minor exceedances of background concentrations were observed for antimony, lead, silver, thallium. However, comparison to risk-based screening values found these exceedances to below risk screening levels. The review and interpretation of these data was a collaborative effort that included state and local members of the unified command.

Sediment data posted on page

<http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/gold-king-mine-data-august-14-2015>

Second spreadsheet for yesterday added to page

<http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/gold-king-mine-data-august-13-2015>

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